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LEGION STARTS ON SECOND DAY

WACASTER GIRL FOUND GUILTY

Committee Reports Made; Opening Ceremonies Held Yesterday

Young Woman Faces Life Imprisonment; Appeal To Be Taken

LOGAN, Sept. 22.—Committee reports were presented this morning at the second day's session of the annual convention of the state department of the American Legion and Women's auxiliary.

Charles Kendrick of San Francisco, national vice commander, was to address the morning session.

The ceremonies of a varied nature, both public and some held behind closed doors, the convention opened yesterday. For the first time the women's auxiliary of the legion is also holding its annual convention.

At 10 o'clock yesterday the department executive committee of the American Legion went into session in a chamber of commerce committee.

Credentialed committee members and department Adjutant M. Decker submitted his financial report, which will be presented at the convention. Other minor details were also accomplished.

The Logan Military band gave a concert on the streets between 11 o'clock and 1 o'clock, playing at the important corners of legion activity.

40 AND 80 STUDENTS

Shortly before noon La Societe des Hommes et Chevaliers created a great deal of amusement for everyone at the preliminary public ceremonies held at the initiation of candidates for that order. Some of the initiates were assigned to such duties as walking from the gutter, driving a frog along the outer edge of the pavement, scrubbing up the street crossings, leading a rooster through the streets and other pranks.

The Rotary club had an American Legion day at the regular weekly luncheon in the Hotel Seelye. Members of the department executive committee and all of the department officers were guests of the Rotarians.

The parade, which was the first official act of the convention, was a magnificent spectacle and drew crowds of applause from hundreds of citizens and school children. Marshal of the parade was M. J. Peterson, dressed in his dress uniform and mounted, led the parade with the automobile of Governor Mabey following immediately.

The convention session opened with a meeting at the convention hall at 1:30 o'clock, with Department Commander B. W. Black presiding. The entire gathering sang, "The Star-Spangled Banner," after which Chaplain Samuel B. Thatcher of Logan, extended the invocation. E. J. Badger, commander of Logan post No. 7, and Mayor John Crockett of Logan extended the courtesies of the city to the visiting legionnaires and their friends.

GOVERNOR SPEAKS

Charles R. Mabey, governor, who appeared only as a legionnaire, sounded the keynote of the legion. "The life of a legionnaire is just begun," he said in announcing that as his text.

Following the governor's talk, Guy Carden, vice president of the Logan chapter of commerce, and Professor Henry Peterson of the Utah Agricultural Experiment Station, extended the felicitations of those two organizations to the American Legion of Utah. Miss Leone Wenzinger played a piano solo.

Harvey H. Cluff, attorney general of Utah, Miss Nell Halsinger of the Pacific division of the American Red Cross, and Wesley E. King, past department commander of the American Legion, gave short talks.

COMMITTEES NAMED

The following convention committees were appointed:

Finance—Ruel G. Halloran, chairman; Arthur P. R. C. Smith, Sidney Jacobson, D. Keith Buck.

Publicity and state publications—E. E. Conroy, chairman; Paul B. Holt, Fred W. Thomas, Ronald McKell, H. Leonard and Charles Saxton.

American Legion auxiliary—E. A. Littlefield, chairman; J. D. Hurd, J. Leahy, W. W. Anderson, M. C. Compagnon, George M. Harris, Simon Jacobson, E. L. Ferrell, George Mills, Glen H. Miller and W. J. Robinson.

Welfare and war risk insurance—Albert Kirkpatrick, chairman; H. S. Coffey, Miles Peterson, Charles Clifford, J. D. Hunter, Floyd Goates and Frank W. Deane.

Ways and means—John E. Boethe, chairman; Wesley E. King, E. R. Shaw, Harry Keane and Ensign Herd.

Resolutions—La Mar Nelson, chairman; Clifford Ware and Lorin S. Higgins.

Legislation—L. J. Holtzer, chairman; D. T. Lane, vice chairman; J. A. Hewer, Charles H. Mabey and N. C. Pomeroy.

Athletics—Vern Greenwood, chairman; Goudy Hogan, Frank L. Stewart and E. Lowell Romney, advisory.

Americanism—W. E. Carroll, chairman; W. W. Gordon, Reuben D. Gardner and Sam K. Smith.

Time and place of 1923 convention—Chairman to be selected; H. F. Thomsen.

SALT LAKE, Sept. 22.—Guilty of murder in the first degree was the verdict of the jury in the Third district court last night in the case of the state against Wacaster. The 18 years of age, for alleged participation in the fatal shooting of Charles A. Faus at his home on the night of February 3.

Immediately after the reading of the verdict Thomas Ramage, one of the attorneys, signified the intention of appealing the case to the state supreme court. The girl was defended by Mr. Ramage and W. S. Marks of Tooele.

The verdict was returned at 10 o'clock last night more than 24 hours after the case was given to the jury by Trial Judge Ephraim Hanson. Ten ballots were taken before the jurors voted unanimously for conviction. At the first trial last spring deliberations had lasted 36 hours when the jurors admitted hopeless disagreement.

THREATENS SUICIDE

Threats of the girl that she would kill herself rather than face imprisonment caused killers at the county jail to watch her closely last night.

"I'll commit suicide and haunt you," the prisoner threatened when her fate was disclosed. "I would rather be executed than serve life imprisonment." The warnings were directed at District Attorney E. A. Rogers.

Desperate she glared at the jurors. As the judge thanked them for their careful consideration of the evidence in the case, her face was pale, she breathed quickly and her hands moved nervously, but she did not cry. She had leaned forward anxiously when the foreman arose to read the verdict. With his reading she became the picture of despair.

Attorney Ramage surprised the jurors and attendants during the court session with requests that Judge Hanson step from the bench and be sworn. He also asked that George Davis, bailiff in charge of the murder jury, be sworn and testify.

Judge Hanson declined to grant either request.

"We'll have no more nonsense," he ordered, raising his voice. When Mr. Ramage asked that Judge Hanson be sworn, the court ordered the resumption of regular court proceedings.

Mr. Ramage explained after the adjournment that he wished to question the court and bailiff regarding the handling of the jury.

OTHERS CONVICTED

Angeline Wacaster and Gilbert L. Brighton, street car conductor, were tested by the police several days after Mr. Faus was shot by one of two holdup men who entered his East South Temple home during the night of February 3. The girl admitted that she had planned the robbery with Brighton and Brighton admitted that she had planned the robbery with Brighton. The girl was convicted of first degree murder and sentenced to life in the state prison.

MONTPELIER MAY GET COUNTY SEAT

MONTPELIER, Sept. 22.—An order signed in the district court at Paris Monday orders that an election be held in Bear Lake county November 7, at which election the question of moving the county seat from the present site at Paris to Montpelier will be submitted to the people.

A petition praying for such an order was presented to the judge on the same day that the order was granted. The petition was signed by nearly 1900 qualified voters of Bear Lake county. The order was signed by Judge T. B. Lee of the Tenth judicial district.

mas, J. C. Littlefield, John L. Gibson, C. F. Forsgren, Albert Kirkpatrick and C. C. Christensen.

A committee of one representative from each post was named to meet with E. H. C. Hoffman of the United States veterans' bureau.

The meeting of the American Legion auxiliary, which met in official convention capacity for the first time in its history, was exceptionally well attended, with every Utah chapter represented. Committees on credentials, permanent organization and resolutions were appointed.

In addressing the convention, Mrs. J. A. Howell, of Ogden, president of the state auxiliary, was enthusiastic in her commendation of the assistance given the auxiliary by the legion, and reviewed briefly the work of the auxiliary, which has been organized for only three months.

The sessions will continue until Saturday night.

S. L. DEMOCRATS NOMINATE TICKET

SALT LAKE, Sept. 22.—A complete county ticket was yesterday selected by Democrats of Salt Lake county at the county convention which lasted from 10:30 o'clock in the morning until after midnight.

The nominees are:

Sheriff, John S. Corless.

Commissioner, four-year term, Samuel J. Lindsay.

Commissioner, two-year term, Franklyn Christianson.

County attorney, A. W. Wilson.

County clerk, W. J. Korth.

Assessor, one-year term, George W. Bartlett.

Treasurer, W. W. Barton.

Auditor, H. S. McCann.

Recorder—Miss Stella Connor.

There was discord early in the session that took up several hours and the prolonged oratory throughout the day left no chance for speed in selecting candidates. The discord was not continuous, but consisted in a violent personal attack and then humorous speeches by those who disapproved of that attack. Earl J. Glade of Sugarhouse, in nominating another candidate for the office of sheriff, took occasion to cast insinuations first and then declared that there were delegates in the hall in violation of the law in support of John S. Corless. Denials were rapid, the speaker was rebuked by the chairman, C. C. Richards, and by numerous speakers, who said that they had come unprompted. Then the convention as a whole nominated Mr. Corless on the first ballot.

The vote for sheriff stood: Corless, 283; Ben E. Harris, 128; Victor Christopherson, 62; Aquila Neuberger, 23; 1-2; Albert J. Cope, 1.

The county Democrats also adopted a platform yesterday that was brief and patterned after that which the state convention adopted August 11. Features of it were the endorsement of Wendell Wilson, which brought a rising demonstration of applause; approval of the state platform; a pledge to strictly enforce all laws as long as they remain on the statute books and the selection of employees in the county offices on the basis of efficiency and not on the basis of family relationship.

COURT CLEARS UP MINE CLAIM TITLE

SALT LAKE, Sept. 22.—The decision of the district court in the case of Joseph Miehlich and others against the Tintic Standard Mining company was altered by the supreme court yesterday sufficiently to establish the company's title to the Greyhound No. 5 lode mining claim. The other claim in litigation known as the Greyhound No. 2, is adjudged to belong to Miehlich in accordance with the decision of the district court.

It was established that an error had been made in the description of Greyhound No. 2 in 1911, which was not corrected until after the plaintiffs had filed Black Eagle claim No. 1 in 1915. This gave the latter the prior right to the claim. In the case of the other claim in conflict there were two points to be decided. Whether the claim had been properly described when the discovery notice was posted by the late John Westerdahl, in 1911, and whether the annual assessment work done thereafter tended to the development of the claim. On the former point the court holds that Mr. Westerdahl's testimony is fully supported by that of T. J. Raddatz and others. As to the development question, it was claimed that the group of claims owned by the Tintic Standard were all being developed from the shaft sunk on the Last Hope, one of the group.

Greatest danger points for automobiles are street or road intersections, where 25 per cent of all accidents occur.

REFUSE TO HEAR STREET CAR CASE

SALT LAKE, Sept. 22.—The city commission will not hear the one-man street car controversy. It was decided yesterday at a meeting, unless the courts should decide that the commission has power to regulate the operation of one-man cars in those cities. The men were asked by H. F. Dicke, manager of the Utah Light & Traction company, to talk on the subject.

Mayor Neulen favored listening to their experiences informally yesterday afternoon at a meeting to which members of the street carmen's union would be invited, but the other commissioners concurred in the recommendation of Commissioner Arthur F. Barnes to postpone any hearing until such time as jurisdiction shall be definitely determined.

CITY Attorney W. H. Folland expressed the opinion that the city has lost jurisdiction to regulate the operation of street cars by the state public utilities act passed several years ago.

NOTORIOUS SLAYER TO SEEK PARDON

BOISE, Idaho, Sept. 22.—Serving a life sentence in the Idaho state prison and having confessed to the murder of fourteen persons, Harry Orchard, said to be the prisoner with the greatest notoriety in the United States, has published his intention to apply for a pardon.

Friends of Orchard some years ago became enthusiastic in his behalf and published a similar notice. Orchard put his foot down on going before the board, and the application was never considered.

Orchard was the star witness for the state in the Western Federation cases in 1907 when Idaho attempted to convict Moyer, Haywood and Pettibone on the charge of conspiracy to murder former Governor Steunenberg. He confessed to the wholesale killing as the alleged tool of the defendants, who denied the accusation.

Because of his testimony the death sentence passed on Orchard was commuted to life imprisonment. He has served fourteen years in the prison and is its head shoemaker.

ADVANCE DATE OF CACHE CONVENTION

LOGAN, Sept. 22.—According to the decision of the county executive committee the Democratic county convention will be held on October 2 instead of October 4, as heretofore announced.

The change in date was made to accommodate those who wish to attend the state fair and L. D. S. conference in Salt Lake City during that week. The convention will house delegates, according to the apportionment announced.

County Chairman W. R. Ballard will arrange for the judicial convention of the First judicial district in connection with the county chairman of Rich and Box Elder counties. The Cache county Democratic convention will name delegates to the judicial convention, which will nominate a candidate for district judge to succeed the late Judge A. A. Law, whose death caused a vacancy now being filled by Judge M. C. Harris, who will probably be the Republican candidate for that position.

Primaries for the Democratic convention will be held Thursday, September 28, or not later than the following Saturday.

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LIQUOR VESSEL BEING PURSUED

Coast Guard Cutter Sent When Suspects Threaten "Dry" Fleet Tars

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—The United States coast guard cutter Seneca was sent to sea Thursday to determine the exact location of the Onward, a vessel flying the British flag, which Wednesday night defied prohibition officers aboard the Hahn, flagship of the dry navy.

The Seneca, it was said, had orders to seize the Onward if she was within the 12-mile limit. The vessel, prohibition officials said, is believed to be carrying a cargo of liquor and awaiting an opportunity to transfer it to a smaller boat for smuggling into the United States.

The revenue cutter Newberry, sent out early Thursday in quest of the Onward, came across the seagoing tug Jessica L. M. Kehoe, arrested its crew of 15 and seized whisky valued at \$200,000. The cargo of the tug included 2112 cases of Scotch and rye.

The captain of the Onward, which formerly was Henry Ford's private yacht, was said to have threatened to shoot the first prohibition officer who tried to board her when the Hahn attempted to seize the vessel Wednesday night.

Prohibition enforcement officers here said that in seizing ships within the 12-mile limit the prohibition navy operating under a law more than a century old. Originally, they said, the law was designed to end the smuggling into the country of negro slaves.

HARDING'S PARENTS TO BE G. A. R. GUESTS

DES MOINES, Sept. 22.—Dr. George T. Harding of Marion, O., father of President Harding, will be a visitor in Des Moines next week during the national Grand Army of the Republic encampment.

Dr. Harding, accompanied by his wife and Mr. and Mrs. George F. Christian, parents of President Harding's secretary, George Christian, will arrive Sunday night.

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